

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S165–S194

Measures Introduced: Fifteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3481–3495, and S. Res. 487–489. **Pages S189–190**

Measures Passed:

Jose Daniel Ferrer Garcia: Senate agreed to S. Res. 489, commending the actions of Cuban human rights and democracy activist Jose Daniel Ferrer Garcia, and all pro-democracy and human rights activists, in demanding fundamental civil liberties in Cuba and speaking out against Cuba's brutal, totalitarian Communist regime. **Pages S183–184**

Protecting Europe's Energy Security Implementation Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at approximately 10 a.m., on Thursday, January 13, 2022, Senate begin consideration of S. 3436, to require the imposition of sanctions with respect to entities responsible for the planning, construction, or operation of the Nord Stream 2 pipeline and their corporate officers and to apply congressional review under the Countering America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act to the removal of sanctions relating to Nord Stream 2, as provided under the previous order of December 18, 2021; that at 2:15 p.m., there be 30 minutes for debate, equally divided between the two Leaders or their designees; that upon the use or yielding back of that time, Senate vote on passage of the bill, as provided under the agreement of December 18, 2021. **Page S194**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 68 yeas to 29 nays (Vote No. EX. 6), Amitabha Bose, of New Jersey, to be Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration.

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By 52 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. EX. 7), Gabriel P. Sanchez, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. **Pages S181–182**

Measures Read the First Time:

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—7) **Pages S181–182**

Recess: Senate convened at 12:30 p.m. and recessed at 7:04 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, January 13, 2022. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S194.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Chavonda J. Jacobs-Young, of Georgia, to be Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics, and Margo Schlanger, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of Agriculture.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Henry Christopher Frey, of North Carolina, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, and Martha Williams, of Montana, to be Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, and 18 GSA resolutions.

WRDA OVERSIGHT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Water Resources Development Act, focusing on USACE implementation of water infrastructure projects, programs, and priorities, after receiving testimony from Michael L. Connor, Assistant Secretary